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PSC SEEKS COMMENTS ON INTERCARRIER COMPENSATION REFORM PLANS IN ADVANCE OF NOVEMBER 17 WORKSHOP

The state Public Service Commission is seeking written comments on intercarrier compensation among telecommunications companies by November 10 in advance of a PSC workshop on the subject that will be held November 17 in Helena.

Comments are invited on the following topics that will also be the discussion topics at the workshop:

- General comments on the “Missoula Plan” for intercarrier compensation reform and other reform plans that are under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission.
- Specific comments regarding the “Missoula Plan,” including legal issues, rates and rate effects on rural and urban customers and carriers, and any other issues.
- Specific comments concerning the effects of the “Missoula Plan” on federal universal service funding and mechanisms for rural and non-rural carriers.
- Recommendations regarding reply comments that the PSC might file with the FCC and suggestions for implementation of intercarrier compensation reform at the state level.

Written comments should reference Docket No. D2004.5.84 and be mailed to the PSC at PO Box 202601, Helena MT 59620-2601 by November 10. The November 17 intercarrier compensation workshop will begin at 9 a.m. in the PSC’s Bollinger Room, 1701 Prospect Avenue.

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